

State { In this case the grand Jury
 vs { Murther } returned a True Bill
 Thomas Dula

Ann Melton

State {
 vs { Murther }

Thomas Dula & By leave of the Court the Solicitor
 Ann Melton } enters a Nolle prosequi as to the third
 Count in the Bill of Indictment which
 charges the prisoner Ann Melton as being an accessory
 after the fact,

State { A nolle prosequi is entered as to the
 vs { Murther } Count in the indictment which
 Thomas Dula & } charges the said Ann Melton as
 Ann Melton } an accessory after the fact of the
 Murther charged

The said Thomas Dula & Ann Melton are brought to the
 Bar of the Court here in their proper persons by the
 Sheriff of Mecklenburg County in whose custody they are &
 the indictment read to them as follows to wit
 North Carolina Superior Court of Law
 Mecklenburg County 3rd Term 1866.

The jurors for the State upon their oaths present that
 Thomas Dula late of the County of Mecklenburg not having the
 fear of God before his eyes but but being moved by the
 instigation of the Devil on the 18th day of June 1866
 with force & arms in the County aforesaid in and
 upon one Laura Foster in the peace of God & the State
 then & there feloniously wilfully & of his malice aforethought
 did make an assault & that the said Thomas Dula with
 a certain knife of the value of five cents which the said
 Thomas Dula in his right hand then & there held
 her the said Laura Foster in & upon the breast of her